HOUSE BILL 3627

By Bass

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39 and Title 40, relative to criminal offenses and firearms.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1324, is amended by deleting subsections (g) and (h) and substituting instead the following:

(g)

- (1) A violation of subsection (a) is a Class D felony, punishable by a mandatory minimum five-year sentence to the department of correction.
- (2) A violation of subsection (a) is a Class D felony, punishable by a mandatory minimum seven-year sentence to the department of correction, if the defendant, at the time of the offense, had a prior felony conviction.

(h)

- (1) A violation of subsection (b) is a Class C felony, punishable by a mandatory minimum eight-year sentence to the department of correction.
- (2) A violation of subsection (b) is a Class C felony, punishable by a mandatory minimum twelve-year sentence to the department of correction, if the defendant, at the time of the offense, had a prior felony conviction.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.